



# CITY OF SANTA CLARITA—Spring 2012

## “Green” Spring Cleaning Tips

It’s time for spring cleaning and this year Waste Management asks Santa Clarita residents to “Think Green” when spring cleaning and use “eco-friendly” cleaning products.

Many common cleaning products are hazardous to the environment when flushed or thrown away. According to the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA), fumes from household cleansers, paints, and varnishes can make indoor air two to five times more polluted than the air outside. Many types of green cleaning products are made with natural ingredients, contain less toxins, and are available at grocery and retail chains. You can also consider making your own cleaning solutions at home. Visit [GreenSantaClarita.com](http://GreenSantaClarita.com) for tips.

Another way to “green clean” is to find a new life for items piled up in the garage or basement that are no longer need. Each spring, millions of reusable items are sent unnecessarily to landfills when there are many other ways to give your older items a second life.

### Tips for how to re-use older items:

- Give away old clothing, lawn care tools, furniture, and other household items to a neighbor, friend, or co-worker who may need them. Residents can drop off clothes by visiting the Salvation Army Drop Box, located at the Waste Management yard at 25772 Springbrook Road, between 8am-5pm on weekdays. Residents can also call Waste Management customer service at (661) 259-2398 to schedule a free pick-up.
- Recycle what you can’t re-use. Many items in your garage, such as books, metal yard tools, or glass jars, are recyclable.
- Consider donating gently used items to local non-profits or thrift shops. Many provide a donation receipt for tax purposes. Donated items should be clean and in good condition.

Below are a few options for donating your un-wanted items in the Santa Clarita valley:

**Goodwill:** visit [GoodWillSoCal.org](http://GoodWillSoCal.org) or call 888-446-6394

*Accepted items: Clothing, sporting goods, appliances, household items, electronics*

**City of Santa Clarita Public Library:**

visit [SantaClaritaLibrary.com](http://SantaClaritaLibrary.com) or call 661-259-8942

*Accepted items: Good condition books, videos, CD's, DVD's are accepted. The library is especially interested in recently published materials.*

**Visit [Donationtown.com](http://Donationtown.com)**

*Donation Town is an online resource designed to locate charities that accept donations and will help schedule a donation pick-up.*



### CARBON CORNER

Turning raw material into something new requires production of new materials. Reusing versus recycling means less air and water pollution. For example, reclaiming 50 percent of all reusable iron and steel would provide the carbon savings equivalent of taking 29,000 cars off the road.



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## DISCOUNT INFORMATION—ONE DISCOUNT AVAILABLE PER ACCOUNT

**Senior Discount** - 20 percent off for Senior Citizen and low-income customers who are either 60 years of age or older and are considered to be the head of their household, or qualify for and receive lifeline telephone service.

**Greenwaste Discount** - \$2.00 per month discount for customers who do not have a greenwaste cart. A greenwaste exemption must be approved by the City in advance.

**Annual Discount** - Residential customers who pay for 11 months of service in advance will receive the 12th month of service for free.

**Super Saver Discount** - 20 percent off for eligible customers who opt for a smaller 35-gallon trash cart and increase their recycling. (Can not be combined with other offers or discounts)

*Contact WM Customer Service for Discount Eligibility*

## SUPER-SAVER PROGRAM

City of Santa Clarita residents are now able to start the “Super Saver” recycling program. We understand many of you are “Super Recyclers” and no longer require the large trash cart at your homes.



Upon customer request, WM will provide eligible customers with a 35-gallon “Super Saver” cart, in place of your 96-gallon cart. The “Super Saver” rate is 20 percent less than standard trash service. Customers who opt for this service will have the small “Super Saver” cart delivered and must return their larger trash cart. Ideal candidates for the “Super Saver” program only fill their current 96-gallon trash cart about 1/3 full on a weekly basis.

*Have you  
signed up to  
be a Super  
Saver yet?*

Contact Waste Management at **(661) 259-2398** or visit [KeepingSCVClean.com](http://KeepingSCVClean.com) to start Super Saving and Super Recycling today!

## BULKY ITEM PICK-UPS

Waste Management will pick up your bulky items from the curb, at no additional cost. This includes furniture, refrigerators, TVs, monitors, and other appliances. Contact customer service at least 48 hours in advance of your regular pick-up day to schedule. Customers are allowed four bulky item pick-ups per year, with a limit of three bulky items per pick-up. Additionally, bulky items can be dropped off at no charge at the WM Yard, at 25772 Springbrook Road, Monday–Friday from 8 AM–5 PM.



## SHARPS

Did you know? You can safely dispose of needles, lancets and other sharps from your home. Contact customer service for your free container, and a representative will deliver it right to your door. Simply fill the kit and mail back using the pre-paid postage label. A second kit is available with a \$5 co-pay. Seniors receive two free and an additional container with a \$5 co-pay. Additional containers are available at full price of the container. Limit one kit at a time.



## CUSTOMER SERVICE INFORMATION

**Phone** - (661) 259-2398 **Web** - [KeepingSCVClean.com](http://KeepingSCVClean.com)

## CITY’S “GREEN” INFORMATION

**Web** - [GreenSantaClarita.com](http://GreenSantaClarita.com)

## WASTE MANAGEMENT & KEEP AMERICA BEAUTIFUL SUPPORT SANTA CLARITA VALLEY ELEMENTARY SCHOOL RECYCLING EFFORTS

In February 2012, Waste Management was awarded a grant through “Keep America Beautiful” to implement an enhanced recycling program in schools throughout Santa Clarita, including: Saugus Union, Newhall and Sulphur Springs School Districts. This recycling program will assist these districts to push their *Zero Waste* initiative one step further.

The grant will provide over 500 recycling kits to classrooms and *Green Your School* posters to remind students to recycle. In addition, an ongoing educational recycling program will be implemented throughout the schools to ensure students understand the importance of recycling.

“This special Waste Management awards program is a powerful catalyst for education and environmental stewardship,” said Santa Clarita Mayor Laurie Ender. “We are thrilled to have Waste Management sponsoring this important program. This kind of support is critical to keeping Santa Clarita clean and beautiful, while educating youth about the importance of recycling.”

### REMEMBER - RECYCLE THESE ITEMS!



Cereal boxes



All paper & junk



Paper & plastic



Plastic bottles & containers



Tin or steel cans



Milk & juice containers



Flattened cardboard boxes



Aluminum cans



Glass bottles & jars



Clean aluminum foil & tray

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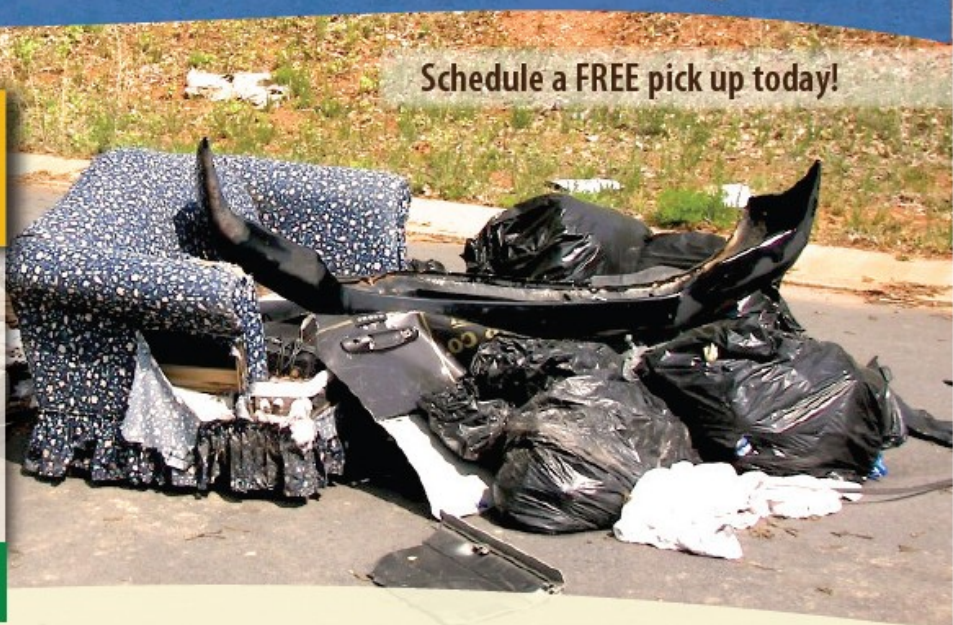
# Don't Trash Your Community!

Schedule a **FREE** pick up today!

Waste Management  
25772 Springbrook Rd.  
Santa Clarita, CA 91350  
Monday - Friday 8:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.



Drop off bulky items at the Waste Management Yard for free!



Did you know it is illegal to dump trash and bulky items in front of a home, business, alleyway, around trash bin areas or on the street?

Bulky items include furniture, appliances, tires, and trash that doesn't fit in the bin.

Get rid of your bulky items for **FREE** by following these easy steps:

1. Call WM customer service at (661) 259-2398 to schedule a **FREE** bulky item pick up at least 48 hours before your scheduled collection day
2. Leave up to 3 bulky items next to your building's trash bin on your scheduled collection day
3. Repeat up to 4 times a year at no additional cost

**OR...**

Drop off bulky items at the Waste Management yard for free!  
*Please note: Household Hazardous Waste cannot be accepted at this location.*